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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

		Deere & Company, "Accudepth 2200 Field Cultivator 2400 Chisel Plow Operator's Manual", 1997, 6 pages
		Deere & Company, 7600, 7700, and 7800 Tractors Operator's Manual", 1992, pages I & 50-1 to 50-7.
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